

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) ~~Device~~ A device for treating and reducing stuttering by means of auditory feedback, the device comprising:

a bone conducting hearing aid apparatus ~~(1, 5, 6)~~ arranged to be attached to ~~the~~ a skull bone ~~(3)~~ of a user with a stuttering problem so that ~~the~~ an ear canal of the user is left free; and ~~which apparatus comprises~~

a tactile component ~~in the form of~~ comprising a vibrator ~~(1)~~ from which ~~the~~ sound information is mechanically transmitted to both of ~~the~~ inner ears of the user via the skull bone ~~(3)~~ ~~characterised in that the~~ wherein signal processing of the hearing aid apparatus ~~(1, 5, 6)~~ is adapted to ~~the~~ stuttering problematics so that the ~~person's own~~ user's voice is fed back and not ~~the~~ surrounding sound.

2. (currently amended) ~~Device~~ The device according to claim 1, further comprising: ~~characterised in that the apparatus (1, 5, 6) comprises~~

a skin penetrating member, wherein the apparatus (2) ~~and~~ is arranged to be mechanically anchored directly into the skull bone ~~(3)~~ by means of osseointegration so that ~~the~~ vibrations from the vibrator ~~(1)~~ are transmitted directly into the skull bone ~~(3)~~.

3. (currently amended) ~~Device~~ The device according to claim 1, wherein characterised ~~in that the apparatus (1, 5, 6) is arranged to be mechanically anchored to the skull bone (3) via~~

the skin so that the vibrations from the vibrator (4) are transmitted into the skull bone (3) through the skin layer.

4. (currently amended) ~~Device~~ The device according to claim 1, wherein characterised ~~in that the~~ frequency characteristics of the apparatus (1, 5, 6) ~~is~~ are adjustable.

5. (currently amended) ~~Device~~ The device according to claim 1, further comprising: characterised ~~in that the apparatus (1, 5, 6) comprises~~
a delay circuit, ~~preferably adjustable.~~

6. (currently amended) ~~Device~~ The device according to claim 1, wherein characterised ~~in that the~~ frequency characteristics of the apparatus (1, 5, 6) ~~is~~ are adapted to suppress surrounding sound and amplify the user's own voice.

7. (currently amended) ~~Device~~ The device according to claim 1, further comprising: characterised ~~in that the apparatus (1, 5, 6) comprises~~
a forward directed directional microphone (5) ~~of a forward directed, directional type~~ in order to suppress sound from other directions than ~~the~~ a forward direction.

8. (new) The device according to claim 5, wherein the delay circuit is adjustable.